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The New Year's Gift.

The table was spread with New Year's gifts:
We counted them one by one;
And said to each other, "This New Year's
Day
We have forgotten none."

But that night in my dreams I heard a voice
That seem'd to speak from heaven;
'My child, hast thou forgotten none,
When no gift to Me is given?'

'I am thy King, and yet my claim
Unheeded is by thee;
How! that, on this New Year's Day,
Thou hast no gift for Me?'

'Lord, just because Thou art a king,
I answered, tremblingly,
'To whom belongs the whole wide world,
And heaven and earth and sea.'

'I never thought that Thou wouldst care
For New Year's gifts from me;
There's nothing in my little store
Costly enough for Thee.'

My child, replied the loving Voice,
'I seek not thine, but thee;
Thou canst to-day My heart rejoice,
Giving thyself to Me.'

'That I might have thee for Mine own
I died on Calvary;
It was for this I left My throne,
Child, give thyself to Me.'

I woke, and all around was still;
But on that New Year's Day
My heart made answer: "Lord, I will,
And I gave myself away."
—Alice Jane Muirhead.

THE PEOPLE I SAW ON MY LAST TRIP.

I have traveled on land and sea for twenty years, in course of which I have become acquainted with over five thousand deaf-mutes, most of whom I visited at their homes both in Canada and the United States, particularly New England and New York State. They had one desire in common, and that was to hear the news of their friends and old school-mates widely scattered from each other—how they were getting along, whether they were still in the land of the living, or more personal matters which it would not have been prudent for me to tell, and they also requested me to carry loving messages from one to another, while lonely bachelors and sighing maidens asked me to act the part of Cupid and unite them in the blest tie that binds, in which capacity I am happy to say I have been instrumental in several cases of conjugal felicity. After news of this nature, they were most eager in inquiring about happenings in the Hub and when the next grand "Levee" was going to take place, etc. Thus, like a pedlar with his pack full of news, I have traveled from place to place, emptying and re-filling it at the same time, for which reason I was met with a ready welcome everywhere. My stock in trade for the last three years was Henry C. White's book of "Law-Points For Everybody," of which I alone have sold over fifteen thousand copies, including twelve hundred sold on my last trip of three months. Deaf-Mutes bought it as readily as the hearing people, among whom I may mention Prof. A. G. Draper, of Gallaudet College, whom I met summering in Vermont, last year. Sometimes I was mistaken for the author of the book, and doubting men have taken me to lawyers' offices near by and asked their opinion about the book, which after a careful inspection they have always recommended and thus I made a good many sales in that way. Deaf-mutes have often asked me knotty law-points, supposing that I was as well acquainted with the law as the author of the book I sold. The questions were mostly about property rights, wills, etc., for the deaf have their share of trouble in these matters like other people. I remember one instance, that of a lady whose entire fortune was so tied up under guardianship that she could not get as much as she desired for her own needs, and could get no husband either, for her property was willed to a public charity after her death, at which she was very much grieved.

After the N. E. G. A. convention in Boston, this Summer, I was seized again with a desire to travel and took the night boat for Portland, Me.

At Mechanics Falls, I had the pleasure of meeting the young Mrs. George A. Wise, who was summering there with her child, while her spouse was attending the convention in the Hub. A graduate of the late Miss Barton's oral school in Portland, she married a graduate of the Hartford School and according to the testimony of her friends,

she was greatly improved in intelligence by such a happy union. As for George, his fortunes, hitherto uncertain, changed for the better after his marriage, and he has settled down to a life of steady occupation as well as comparative ease. It has often been remarked by wise heads in Boston, like Mr. Geo. C. Sawyer and others, that married men had the best chance of getting along, were given better wages and were retained by their employers, while the unmarried ones were laid off or discharged, as if there was a special providence presiding over Hymen's Altar. For that reason, young men were advised to marry.

An agreeable visit was paid to the cosy home of Mr. and Mrs. Tripp in Portland. Mr. Tripp and Mr. Randall, the latter a graduate of Miss Barton's school but familiar with the sign language, have the reputation of being good, all-round carpenters, and have been employed on most of the big buildings—private as well as public—in the State.

Miss Alice Stevens had just returned from the N. E. G. A. convention, to her home in Stafford, N. H., in the company of Mrs. Frank Bigelow, whose guest she had been during her stay in Boston. In her pretty, vivacious way, by which she had made many friends in the Hub, Miss Stevens lamented her cruel fate, which forced her to live in a dull, uninteresting New Hampshire town, while all the delights of friends and company were to be found in Boston, with "Levees," socials, whist parties, etc. The best advice I could give her was to marry a man from the Hub and partake of these joys of life in the Metropolis, at which she laughed merrily.

Charles A. Little, of Berlin Falls, N. H., told the writer that he saw several uneducated deaf-mutes in the neighborhood growing up without any education, being mostly French-Canadians, a class of people who do not seem to set a high value on schooling. These were of both sexes, the oldest being 50 years old and the youngest seventeen. Mr. Little has since moved to Lynn, Mass., where he is working.

I had the pleasure of a chat with Mrs. F. W. Bigelow, at Island Pond, Vermont, at her old home, where she was staying with her interesting twins, after the convention. She has since returned to her new home in Milton, which combines the seclusion of rural life, being almost buried in the depths of the primeval forest in which the children could see squirrels sporting themselves, and also bears and wolves in fancy come out to devour "naughty boys and girls," together with easy access to the city where the sage father works. The situation, however, is a charming one, as from the wide windows of their elegantly appointed house on a slight elevation of the road, a delightful panorama of scenery, with the long-winding Neponset River and the famous Blue Hills in the distance could be viewed in all the grandeur of nature. Mr. Bigelow, a camera fiend, has taken many views of the green pastures with the lowing herds, the running trains caught at the rate of a mile a minute, and the historic mills and mansions in the vicinity of his home.

Mr. Meacham, of Island Pond, Vt., is a carriage painter by trade, regularly employed, and said to be an expert at his calling. He discussed the late N. E. G. A. convention, strongly siding with Mr. Heyer, of St. Johnsbury, in the view that the Green Mountain State deserves better favors than it has received at the hands of the Association, but as the vote has been passed to hold the next convention midway between Vermont and New Hampshire, he expressed himself as being in favor of the town in Vermont nearest to the other State and with the best railroad facilities.

The next step of the journey led me across the border into the dominions of Her Majesty, whose humble subject I once had been, but now I am a sovereign myself, and treading the soil of monarchy with the breath and step of a free man owning allegiance to no earthly sovereign, a feeling of exaltation and exultation which no American can experience until he steps into a foreign land. Of course, I did not sell a copy of the laws of the free republic to the benighted subjects

of an imperialistic colony, for their laws are radically different from ours, notably that of primogeniture or the law of entail, by which the eldest gobbles up the whole property, a proceeding which is not recognized in the legal jurisprudence of the United States, and would be set aside by the courts on the demand of other heirs of the body.

At Arthalaska, Quebec, I met the Misses Benudet, graduates of the Montreal Institution, but who had previous to my visit worked at Laconia, N. H., and talked of going back there in the near future.

Mr. James Beigner, of Montreal, operates a large matresses factory, where he pursues the same generous policy of Mr. Meinken, of New York City, in teaching the trade to the unemployed deaf-mutes. I found him an intelligent conversationalist and a good business man. His children were down with scarlet fever, but I sincerely hope they are all well, by this time.

Probably the most interesting man among the deaf in Montreal, is Mr. Joseph Fournier, the manager of a large job and book printing office, whose ability as an all-round printer, who knows how to set up both English and French type with ease, and is a man of bright intellect, reminded me strongly of another Britisher, now a citizen of the United States, Mr. E. A. Hodgson, who is playing such an important role in our affairs.

Met an old friend from Boston in the Knittoff Manufacturing Co., of Montreal, where he is really holding an important position as superintendent or foreman of the knitting department. Frank A. Conant looks prosperous and dresses up in the most fashionable attire. He is popular with the Canadian deaf of both sexes. He sometimes sighs for the Bohemian life he led in the Hub among his cronies, and talks of returning, but it is doubtful if he will ever do so, as he is much better off where he is. He was overflowing with happiness at meeting a friend from Boston, gave me the glad hand and plied me with questions about persons and affairs in the Hub. Mr. Conant stated that he had tried to gain admission into the convents where many deaf-mute girls were either taught or employed, but always met with the "marble heart" from the guardians of these places.

Also met the irrepressible Mr. Zurwieh, of New York and Boston, who has a habit of popping up in unexpected places. At this writing, he is back in Boston, quietly pursuing his trade, but there is no knowing where he will skedaddle to next.

Miss Mary Pinsomault, after twenty years of convent life, has returned to the world accomplished in the graces and arts of womanhood. Her family is among the best in Montreal. She is fond of the society of the deaf and does much good for them.

Once more I stepped on the soil of freedom and had a pleasant meeting with Mr. C. O. Upham, of Watertown, N. Y., who impressed me as a gentleman by his manners and intelligence. He is employed as a timekeeper of a large factory, an unique position for a deaf-mute and the only one I ever heard of in that capacity.

A business man who bought one of my books told me that Mr. Charles Cooper, who lives in one of the handsomest residences in Watertown, was remembered in the will of the late ex-Gov. Roswell P. Flower, a relative on his mother's side, to the extent of \$300,000. Mr. Cooper was away in New York City, at the time of my visit.

The territory of her Britannic Majesty looms up in close proximity to our own in a journey to Kingston, Canada, where I met Mr. McRae, whose father owns a big merchandise store and by whom he is employed. His hearing wife is said to be an accomplished lady, who is quite an adept in the sign language. He was a classmate of the well-known Henry Acheson whose old, spavined nags always run away with him. Mr. McRae remembered Mr. Acheson as "a smart fellow" and was glad to hear that he was getting along so well in the world.

James Peterson, who was educated

in the New York Institution, recently died in Quebec at the age of seventy-three years, after a life of reverses. He was a bookbinder at the time of his death. Previous to that, he had lived in the enjoyment of a fortune left him by his father, but his property was all burned out, and as there was no insurance on it, his wealth was wiped out.

At Syracuse, I met Mr. E. A. Brown, a first-class shoe-maker, who is assistant foreman in a shoe factory. He said he was willing to take in deaf-mutes as apprentices or workers.

Mrs. Nye Brown lives in Syracuse with her mother, a lady over seventy years old, who met the writer as she meets every one, with a pleasant, kindly face, and a cheery word. Mrs. Nye Brown talked of old times and made many inquiries about Fanwood and the old friends whose memory she cherished though separated from those she held dear.

Elsewhere I found a deaf-mute woman of fifty years, wholly uneducated. This proves almost criminal negligence on the part of her natural guardians in a State which provides so liberally for the education of all the people.

Arthur Shaw, of Harrisville, N. Y., graduated from the Rome Institution, is a nice-looking young man. A cobbler by trade, but ambitious to start a shoe shop of his own before long. His wife I found to be as pleasant and agreeable as himself, and they make a model couple.

Geo. D. Connor and John L. Keady, of Syracuse, are in the shoe business at good wages and generally on long time.

Some years ago, the late Wm. Martin Chamberlain brought to Boston a young man, then a teacher in the Arkansas Institution, whose brilliant qualities won the regard of everybody. Many of us still remember Mr. Geary. I met him at Syracuse, N. Y., pursuing a more strenuous life as a painter. By the force of his personality, he is the leading light among the deaf of Syracuse. At the time of my visit, he was engaged in a matter which if carried out is bound to create the biggest kind of a sensation in our little world. He had engaged the services of a lawyer and was securing affidavits. As these are matters of no concern to me, being a simple traveler. I do not care to go into details. A club is being organized by Mr. Geary for the benefit of the deaf of that city and vicinity.

The Northern New York Institution at Malone, founded by Mr. Henry C. Rider, is beautifully situated on a rising knoll overlooking a wide expanse of picturesque scenery. In the Institution, I found everything in apple-pie order, with evidences of a perfect system of management, for even to a casual observer, it was evident that things were running smoothly under the direction of either a wise head or a firm hand. The young Superintendent, Edward C. Rider, greeted the writer courteously, and showed his capacity for the position by inquiring about the deaf in the outside world, and was interested in an account of those I had met in my travels. Such of the pupils as I conversed with gave evidence of quick-witted intelligence, and the paper they published under the name of the *Mentor*, which "super-seded" or "abrogated" the old journal that was a power in the councils of the deaf under the brilliant but erratic editorship of the versatile George Lucas Reynolds, is a model of typography and reading matter. In that week's issue, they published a pretty supplement of a copy of the "Madonna and the Angels" by Bouguereau, a sample of which I sent to a friend in Boston, who has framed it up. From what I saw of the workings of the school, I should judge that the young Mr. Rider is an able administrator.

In the city, at the home of another son, I had "heart to heart talks" with Mr. Henry C. Rider on divers subjects, the life insurance company in which I lost eighty dollars, and Mr. Rider, as he stated to me, much more than that, his favorite co-operative colony scheme, etc. He inquired as to how the deaf were getting along in the world, and as to whether there

were not many of them out of work or getting barely living wages, and he discoursed eloquently on the need of the colonization scheme for which he wanted \$25,000, for the purchase of land and buildings, etc. I said that he would be more likely to need \$100,000 for that purpose, to which he replied with a smile: "That will come in good time." Thanks to his advice about the best localities in the city for the sale of my book, I sold \$5 worth, the next day.

Next, I dropped into the N. Y. Central Institution at Rome, and met with rather a cold reception, as everybody, including Principal Nelson, who excused himself on the plea of important matters to attend to, seemed intent on his own affairs and apparently had no use for visiting deaf-mutes, not dreaming even in the pronounced deaf-mute literary atmosphere of the Institution of Burns' warning, "There is a chiel among ye takin' notes." Mr. Selinay greeted me with the remark "Ah! here is the Great American Traveler." My interview with him was very brief. His whole personality indicated a man of keen intelligence, aggressive independence of character and self-reliance. In somewhat of his manner, he reminded me strongly of another gifted intellect, our own Wm. Martin Chamberlain, especially in an indescribable air of assured superiority, no doubt fostered in his swelling bosom by the consciousness that he had done great things, like the holding of a responsible position in an institution, the writing of editorials for the *Deaf-Mute*, and all that without the aid of a collegiate education. I found the cabinet shop in fine condition and well-equipped for the instruction of trades. The foreman of the printing office, whose name I have forgotten, expressed himself with vehemence in favor of the trade for the deaf, and pointed with pride to the large number of graduates who were making a good and steady living at it.

At St. Johnsbury, Vermont, I had the pleasure of seeing Mr. Albert S. Heyer in his father's handsome residence on one of the principal streets of the town. He eagerly discussed N. E. G. A. matters on account of his position as treasurer, to which he was elected at the last convention. He said that the question of filling bonds was not yet settled between himself and President Frisbee, and wanted to have it settled by the Board of Officers according to the Constitution and By-Laws. He spoke with much pleasure of this meeting with Rev. Harry Van Allen, and said it was a fortunate thing for the deaf of Vermont that gentleman of such good character and superior education, was appointed as their pastor, and he predicted much good from such a mission.

In conclusion, I cannot reflect on the palatial surroundings, the wonderfully-effective methods of education and the abundance of comforts as well as conveniences, provided for the deaf in American Institutions, without a feeling of sadness at the lack of the same opportunities in my youth at schools for the deaf in England. My memory harps back to other times and scenes with painful regret, not to say indignation at the men and methods of the school where I was given what they called "an education," but it was the mere drilling of speech without an attempt to instruct me in the common branches of knowledge, which I needed more than anything else to equip me to fight my own way in the world, for I was incapable of speech and have never used it from that day to this. I mourn the waste of my youth, and bitterly arraign the authors of my misfortune in refusing me the benefits so freely accorded to the Americans of obtaining a good, all-around education. It was only after I arrived in Boston in early manhood that I was able to improve myself, which I did by studying the sign-language, the conversation of the best-educated deaf, and picking up words and phrases from the newspapers or in general intercourse with the hearing people. In memory, there is no picture of happy school days under an inspired teacher and attentive pupils all working together in harmony, such as I have seen in the schools of this

country. Instead of such a model school and system, I can only review cramped quarters, cramped methods of instruction and cramped resources of mental pleasures, listless pupils and over-worked, stern teachers, ceaselessly drilling pupil after pupil, not class by class after the American way, all which is a state of things inseparable from a one-sided method of education. In my youth, I was eager for an education and had my ideals, and though my idols are now shattered, my ideals remain, and I see them realized in the schools of America. If the boys and girls now in school will take the advice of a man who has known the disadvantages of an imperfect education and envies them their splendid opportunities, their perfect system of education and their corps of well-beloved teachers, I would tell them to be diligent, attentive, and make the most of their time, for the mill will never grind with the water that has passed, and while knowledge comes in quicker through the medium of the sign-language, wisdom of a practical and useful nature lingers and is too often passed by without notice and remembered afterwards with "the passing tribute of a sigh."

AMERICAN TRAVELER.

DEAF CHILDREN WRITE TO ST. NICHOLAS.

LETTERS BY PUPILS IN THE FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD GRADES OF THE MILWAUKEE SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF.

Antoinette Schmitt.
"Oh! what would the world be to us
If the children were no more?
We should dread the desert behind us
Worse than the dark before."

It is a source of pleasure alike to the old and young to read letters written in childish hands to St. Nicholas, and it must be of more than passing interest to receive such letters, not only from hearing children, but from those who labor under the severe affliction of total deafness, and yet are withal so bravely patient, bright and cheery. Even persons who are adepts at reading "between the lines" can perceive no hint of loneliness, of unsatisfied, restless longings, or tendencies of morbid melancholy in the letters written to the dear old saint by pupils in the First, Second and Third grades of the Deaf School at the corner of Seventh and Prairie Streets. The letters which were written by children whose average age ranges from five to nine years old, show a beautiful, childlike faith in Santa Claus and his proverbial generosity.

In a remarkably neat, vertical penmanship, which has almost the regularity of type, one golden-haired, blue-eyed lassie in the First grade writes: "I love you. I want a doll, a handkerchief, a watch and some candy. I like apples and nuts. We have a new baby at home." The good saint may justly feel gratified by the maiden's sweetly tender words, "I love you," which are suggestive of all that is sweet and dear to human nature. Indeed, one can almost feel the little girl's chubby arms around one's neck, and hear her repeat plainly, though monotonously, "I love you."

Somewhat in contrast to the foregoing is the brief note: "I shall be a very good boy. (how like a boy!) I want a drum, a bicycle and a blotter. Please give mamma some books. You are fat and happy. Good-bye." Another manly little fellow tells the saint with a delightful sincerity, that he likes him, and inquires if he has any bicycles, as he wants one. Lively Ella says, "Please give me some nuts. Do you like the girls and boys? You are good." Another little maid writes: "I can speak," which is most significant in itself, speaking volumes as it does, for the true pride the children take in being able to speak, and their attitude of heartfelt gratitude for the noble work their teachers are carrying on. It is doubtful if any one but a deaf person can fully realize the indescribable blessing of being able to speak, and of understanding others by reading the lips of the speakers. Years ago, when there was no such alleviation as spoken language and lip-reading for the calamity of deafness, one of

the unfortunates expressed himself thus:

I move, a silent exile on earth,
As in his dreary cell one doomed for life
My tongue is mute and closed ear heedeth
not,
No gleam of hope this darkened mind assures,
That the blest power of speech shall ever be
known,
And must this thankless tongue refuse to
breathe
The blest word, "mother," when that being
dear
I meet with steps elastic, full of joy?

What a sharp, and happy, if not miraculous contrast to such pathetic verses, is the glad and confident assurance of the deaf child of to-day. "I can speak!" Ah! dear little child, it is, indeed, a blessing to be able to speak and to read the lips. And surely St. Nicholas will take note of such a fact that you and your classmates, though deaf, can speak.

Another letter written in a most graceful hand, runs thus: "I am glad because I want you to come to Milwaukee. You have long white hair. You can ride on a train all over the world on Dec. 25th. Is it wonderful at the North Pole? Did you make the toys? I should like some games best, because I like to have a good time. When will you start to ride all over the world? You must not forget me."

Little Annie tells the saint that she hopes to shake hands with him at Christmas, and adds: "Please bring some clothes for my mamma. My mamma likes you. I asked teacher if she liked you, and she laughed." Flora says, "I want to see you on Christmas day. You will ride with your reindeer."

reindeer kick me? How do you ride over the houses?" One thoughtful boy inquires of Santa Claus if he could live with him, and also if he can have "a pair of skates for Max, a pair of pants, a waist, a pair of suspenders and a pair of stockings for poor Willie. I am deaf, but I can speak. I never saw your deer. Will you show me the deer? I shall speak on Christmas day." Instead of writing a note in prose, Martha sends St. Nicholas the following of poetry:

While stars of Christmas shine,
Lighting the skies,
Let only loving looks
Beam from your eyes;
Give only loving gifts,
And in love take,
Gladden the poor and sad
For love's dear sake.

Let us utilize Martha's excellent suggestions, and not only ransom our garrets, but also remind some of the city's men and women of wealth gladly and freely to part with the dollars which they never need, so that the poor and sad may be remembered and gladdened with Christmas cheer and charity.

It only remains to explain that the above letters were written by the children without corrections on the part of the teachers, and when to this is added the fact of the children's deafness, it at once becomes evident to others that the letters, in their own way, are remarkable for their grace of simplicity, their clearness and ease of style, their neat appearance and beautiful handwriting, and for the glimpses they give others into the affections, thoughts and fancies of little deaf boys and girls. May such children be generously remembered at Christmas, and may the "fat and happy," good old saint also remember to gratify their curiosity as to "how he rides over the houses," and "if it is wonderful at the North Pole!"

HYPATIA BOYD.

It is said that no fewer than 225,000 books for the blind are borrowed annually from the free libraries in this country.

Golden and diamond weddings were celebrated by 614 couples in Prussia last year and the state distributed medals to each husband and wife.

Several districts in London, notably Kensington and Hyde Park, have been visited recently by swarms of mosquitoes, a pest almost unknown there a few years ago.

New York city has a number of tropical plantation, growing within the limits of the city. In both Central and Riverside parks there have been cultivated during the summer a large number of cotton, tobacco and other plants.

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"He's true to God who's true to man:
Wherever wrong is done
To the humblest and the weakest
'Neath the all-beholding sun,
That wrong is also done to us,
And they are slaves must base,
Whose love of right is for themselves,
And not for all the race."

If the language illustrated in an article, which we reprint, from the Milwaukee Sentinel, is really the independent, unaided, written expressions of little deaf children from five to nine years of age, then is grammatical English become an easy matter to the totally deaf. Set forms of expression may be memorized, and reproduced under the inspiration and guidance of the teacher, but there has not yet been found a five-year-old deaf-mute to whom, by the alleged impetus of articulation teaching, has begotten thought and expression to the extent outlined in the article printed in the home of oral day schools.

Another matter that deserves attention is the contrast of conditions between a deaf and dumb poet and a little boy who has learned to enunciate "I can speak." The author of the poem from which the

quotation was taken is one of the brightest and ablest deaf-mutes that the United States has known. Compared to his developed and cultivated intellect, the mere parrot-like utterance of a few words is deserving of no notice whatever. The writer of the poem was the late John Carlin, a cultured, scholarly gentleman; an artist in oils of rare ability, and one of the really great miniature painters of a past generation. He combined with an artistic temperament and a well-read mind, one of the most forceful characters, and his life-work shines with the lustre of great achievements. He was, in a certain sense, the originator of a college for the deaf, and to his work and influence Gallaudet College largely owes its inception. He it was who fathered the Gallaudet Home for Aged and Infirm Deaf-Mutes, and as chairman of the first gathering for the purpose of affording a shelter for the aged and helpless deaf, he had the satisfaction of seeing accumulated during his term of office the sum of nearly \$7,000, before any of our present hearing friends (except, of course, Rev. Dr. Gallaudet) identified themselves with the movement in the character of trustees. In the literary accomplishments and development of graduates of schools for the deaf, John Carlin was again a most potent factor and a recognized leader.

"Unfortunate!" Ye gods and little fishes! Why his life was one of the most sublime and helpful and successful that this country has ever seen. Under a narrow system of intellectual development, no one can say what commonplace position he would occupy in the history of the progress of his class. However, the fact will ever remain that he lived a glorious, helpful, cheerful life, and died replete with honors and universally lamented. The present attempt to bolster up the alleged superiority of oralism is, as it were, hoist by its own petard.

The dawn of the Twentieth Century records the beginning of the thirtieth year of good work by the DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL. We start out on the new cycle without any promises other than that the policy of this paper shall continue to be a vigorous and faithful effort to enhance the well-being of the deaf.

Without descending to license, we will aim to be free and outspoken in all that concerns our class. As in the past, so in the present and in the future, the columns of the DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL are open to all contributions of news and courteous discussion of plans, projects and conditions, save only religious creeds and partisan politics. We want all intelligent deaf-mutes to subscribe for this paper. It costs only one dollar a year; and every subscriber is sure of getting more than his money's worth. In conclusion, we hope and believe this new Century will bring to the deaf deaf the greatest progress and prosperity. We wish all our readers, and the deaf everywhere "A HAPPY NEW YEAR."

IOWA.

Christmas day was duly observed, and was indeed, an occasion of much joy to the pupils, of whom there are about 275 at present, availing themselves of the educational privileges offered by the State.

For several days previous to the occasion, a special team set apart for the purpose was kept busy between the express offices, postoffice, stores and the Institution, bringing in the necessarily large number of packages and boxes—each load managing to arrive just as the children were at their meals, and storing them away in a systematic and orderly manner in a particular room of the Institution.

On Christmas eve a fine program of exercises was carried out, consisting of tableaux vivants, poems and a series of scenes in a family on Christmas eve preparing for the visit of Santa Claus. In these latter performances, the family was a rather numerous one, a la mode of Mother Goose's well known melodies—"An old woman had so many children she did not know what to do with them, etc." The scenes on this line were particularly entertaining.

Santa Claus' ultimate appearance with the proverbial sack, from out of the fireplace, just captured the hearts of the children, who were on tiptoe of expectation. The success of the family scenes was due to Miss Laura MacDill, who acted the part of the old woman to perfection.

When the curtain fell for the first time, the children were given the freedom of the hall viewing the electric lighted Christmas tree, after which refreshments were served, in the shape of bags of popcorn and boxes of candy, together with apples and oranges. After this they repaired to their dormitories to dream of further surprises in store for them on the morrow, in the form of boxes from their own homes.

On Christmas morn'g they dressed for the day, and at 9 o'clock filed into the chapel, where hymns, stories and discourses, all commemorative of the day, formed the exercises. In the meantime attendants were kept busy placing the boxes on their beds and partially opening them for the children to unpack them the more easily. All being ready up in the dormitory, the Superintendent called them out of the chapel. It was a decided pleasure to see them unpack the boxes with happy countenances and exclamations of joy. The presents were numerous and varied; in fact, the number exceeded that of last year, evincing a prosperous year at their homes.

A Christmas dinner of turkey and other good things was a further pleasure to them. In the afternoon a social was provided for the smaller pupils, under the care of the officers, in the chapel, followed by a similar one in the evening with the larger boys and girls.

Though it is rather late, we deem it worth while to chronicle several affairs that took place in December.

The first Tuesday evening in December, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Barrett were treated to a delightful surprise in the shape of a "housewarming" party, headed by Superintendent and Mrs. Henry W. Rothert. They were accompanied by the corps of teachers and officers of the Iowa School, and Mr. and Mrs. Waldo H. Rothert, of Omaha, and their guest Miss Alice Taylor, of Marionville, Mo.

After Mr. and Mrs. Barrett recovered from their surprise, they invited all to look over their new home, which was built during the past summer from plans drawn by Olof Hanson. After this the evening was pleasantly spent at cards, followed by the serving of the beautiful refreshments brought by the surprising party.

The officers and teachers of the Iowa School for the Deaf were entertained by Professor and Waldo Rothert at their home in Omaha, Friday evening. Dainty refreshments were served. A guessing contest was the feature of the evening. The first prize, a handsome napkin ring, was won by Mr. Holloway, and the consolation prize by Miss Alice Taylor.

Friday evening, December 14th, the teacher of the Iowa School for

the Deaf gave a party in honor of Professor and Mrs. Waldo H. Rothert. The guests from the Nebraska School for the Deaf were Messrs. and Mesdames Vioetto, Hunt, Mrs. Vivian, Misses Washington, Murphy, Hall, Andrews, Banford, Plotts and Jack. Messrs. Pope, Reynolds and Blankenship. Besides the above out-of-town guests, the following were present: Messrs. H. W. Rothert, Edwin Rothert, Terwilliger, Dudley, Weatherbee, Van Brunt, Jennings, Miss Laura Flickinger, Mr. H. Haworth, Mr. J. M. Campbell. First prizes for guessing games were awarded Mrs. Vioetto and Miss Andrews; consolation prizes, Miss Washington and Mrs. Drake. First prizes for cards were awarded Mrs. Terwilliger and Mr. Edwin Rothert; consolation prizes, Mrs. Barrett and Mr. Schultz.

Mrs. Waldo H. Rothert went to Carthage, Mo., her old home to spend the holidays. Mr. Rothert, on account of his duties at the Nebraska School for the Deaf, was unable to accompany her. The evening of December 26th, he gave a dinner party to some of his gentlemen friends. Those from Council Bluffs, who attended were: Messrs. Barrett and Holloway.

At there, Smith were you ever in Council Bluffs? Some years ago we met a person who told us a "valetidictory" story nearly similar to the one you stated in the JOURNAL. Some of your stories have a touch of familiarity to us.

Russell Smith, of Omaha, has arranged for a service for the deaf in Trinity Episcopal Church, Omaha, on January 5th. Last Fall several such services were held by hearing clergymen, assisted by interpreters for the deaf.

OCCASIONAL.

CONNECTICUT.

CHRISTMAS PARTY.

A merry party of deaf-mutes gathered at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Seaman, on 299 Ogden Street in Bridgeport, Conn., on Christmas eve on the occasion of the fourth annual Christmas party of the Waterbury Deaf-Mute Circle.

The host and hostess received a handsome silver cake basket on which is engraved "Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Seaman, presented by W. P. C., December 24th, 1900."

The rooms were very prettily decorated for the event with holly and Christmas greens. The chandeliers were lit up in holly. Here, too, a piece of mistletoe was in evidence. There was the holly on the way saying, "A merry Christmas to all."

An appropriate Christmas song was well sung in sign languages by Mr. W. Flanagan.

The cock-fighting was a source of great amusement. Mr. C. Roydon won.

Next dancing was indulged in, after which there was a dumb band contest, in which Mr. A. Saleski won.

The Christmas dinner (a very sumptuous repast) was served at midnight. During the evening ice-cream was served.

Immediately after dinner the gifts were distributed, some of which were very unique. They, of course, afforded a great deal of fun.

A meeting followed in which the following officers for the ensuing term were elected: President W. Seaman, Secretary M. M. Walsh and Treasurer E. H. Hine.

Breakfast was served at eight o'clock, after which all were photographed in a group by Mr. J. E. Taplin.

Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. James Hine and son Edward, Mr. and Mrs. W. Saxe, Mr. and Mrs. Gennett, Messrs. Flanagan and M. Welsh, of Waterbury, Conn.; Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Seaman and son Clifford, and daughters Addie and Jennie, Misses Katie Maloney and Maude Shortliff, Messrs. Herman F. Probst, J. Youngs, W. Kirk, and Gallagher, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Beers, of Bridgeport; Mr. J. E. Taplin, and Misses E. Schmah and L. G. Burke, of New Haven; Mr. and Mrs. J. Frelick, of Stamford; Mr. C. Roydon and his sister Sadie, of Milford; Miss Mary De More, of East Berlin; Mr. J. O'Keefe, of Wallingford; Mr. and Mrs. Anton Saleski, of Meriden; Mr. W. Sullivan, of Guilford; and Mrs. Isaac P. Beach, Misses Ada Beach and Annie Shea and Mr. Patrick F. Williams, of Branford.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Erbe, of Waterbury, were unable to attend, on account of their child's death.

In the morning of Christmas day, the merry makers took their departure one and all pronouncing the affair a most decided success.

The annual Christmas party will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Saleski, in Meriden, Ct.

MARRIED.

At St. Louis, Mo., December 19th, Miss Gertrude Farrell and Mr. Otto H. Brunning, The Rev. J. H. Cloud officiating.

At Emmanuel Church, Rockford, Ill., by the Rev. J. L. Cloud, Mr. F. W. A. Hammar, of St. Louis, and Miss Ernestine J. Rust, of Rockford.

BALTIMORE, MD.

Last Tuesday was a green Christmas, but a very merry one for the people of Baltimore. Though the clouds came up in the afternoon and hid the sun, which had been shining brightly all the morning, the weather was very close to the ideal, and no complaint could be made on that score. After the wild carnival of the night before, the downtown streets were almost deserted, though now and then a tired cow-bell was heard from dragging his weary way along the pavements.

It is always in the home and by the fireside that this great holiday is at its best, and there yesterday was the greatest enjoyment. There was pleasure on the outside, too, for thousands and the merry spirit seemed to pervade all. The poor were not forgotten, and those who went without a good Christmas dinner were very few in number. It was a day of unusual rejoicing as befitting the last Christmas of the century.

The children of their deaf parents were made happy when they received fine and useful presents from Santa Claus; who was too busy to distribute the presents among the children, had to leave present on a large table at Grace P. E. Church, last Thursday evening. Those who were present at the Christmas entertainment received boxes of candy. At the conclusion of the entertainment Rev. Arthur Powell asked Rev. O. J. Whildin to read his written note aloud to the deaf-mutes. It says: "Santa" is a good fellow. He seems to know us all, and never forgets one. His name comes to us from the German language, where, in full it is Saint Christopher. This name springs out of an old legend, which is: that a little child, on its way home one day, was stopped by a flooded brook, and could not get home. A monk came along and putting the child on his shoulder, bore it across the stream. The story gradually grew until the child was likened to Christ, and the monk was named St. Christopher—or the Saint who bore Christ over the stream. S. He sent His Son to live our life and know our experience.

Christmas tells us of His birth, when this blessed life began. And the N. T. tells us of what followed. It was one continued "gift" to us until at last. He gave His life for us. How ought we then to love Him, to love one another!

May this festival season make us all with whom we have to do so that we may be Christians indeed. "I wish you all a Happy New Year." I know it will have its cares and trials, but with the lesson from the legend is: "We should always try to help each other over hard places, or difficulties, and we cannot do this unless we love each other."

Our Dear Heavenly Father wants to help us over all our hard places. Jesus, as our friend and Saviour, it will always have happiness, a state of spiritual joy, which no earthly trial can take away.

May God bless you and your children. All of us stood up saying to Mr. Powell, "We wish you a Happy New Year," and he bowed and went away.

The members of the Deaf-Mute Mission Methodist Episcopal Church of which Rev. Mr. Moylan is pastor, enjoyed a Christmas entertainment last Friday night in the Sunday school room. An interesting program was rendered, including a number of special Christmas exercises, sign language recitations and sign language dialogues. Santa Claus was impersonated by Mr. McElroy, and judging from the goodly amount of applause elicited by his speeches, he was a decided success. As Santa Claus called the roll in the sign language, the pupils marched up to the platform and were each presented with a bag of candy.

Others taking part in the entertainment were Mr. Harry Creager, of Frederick, who recited a selection in which he impersonated a rollicking sailor lad. Mr. Holton Steltz, a student of Maryland School for the Deaf, and Mr. Giles, who sang a Christmas carol, following the words with the fingers and carrying with the sign recitative an idea of rhythm by gestures and motions of the body. Lizzie Amos, Francis and Mary Nicol, rendered songs. At the conclusion of the entertainment Santa Claus aroused considerable applause by a farewell speech. There were over 200 people there.

Miss Mattie Kelly, a member of the High Class at Maryland School for the Deaf, is staying with Mrs. Mattingly, who lost her dear deaf daughter some time ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Tschiefly came to spend the Christmas holidays in Baltimore. After Christmas, went away. Freddie left for home, his wife behind him, who is now stopping with Mrs. Geo. Leitner.

Mr. Smithson, who was elected by Mayor Hayes, as a janitor to No. 50 Clifton Park, was presented with several gifts, such as scarf pins, etc., from teachers and girls and boys. He is now happy.

Ye scribe's brother-in-law, Mr. Cathcart, of Carheart slaughtered five hogs last week, which weighed

2185 pounds, an average of 435. The heaviest weighed 485 and the lightest 418. It is probable that these five hogs exceeded in weight an equal number in any pen in Harford County during the present season.

Miss Carrie Elough's father had two mammoth porkers killed this week, almost as big as cows. One weighed 515 pounds while the other tipped the beam at 476 pounds.

Eggs are twenty-five cents per dozen, with a promise of advancing to thirty cents per dozen, ere the first January, 1901. Last winter Mr. Remmy sold eighteen dozen eggs per month, from eighteen chickens, but few those some hens have forgotten how to lay, as he hasn't seen an egg for a month. Perhaps they are waiting for higher prices.

Mr. Rhodes, well-known among the deaf circle, especially the deaf negroes, opened a fifteen-cent restaurant on Calvert Street near Bath Street, some time ago. He reported that his biz was fine, when he met the writer on Baltimore Street. He said that Rev. Mr. Moylan was a regular customer there, and would be glad to serve deaf-mutes going there for meals. Mr. Rhodes used to be the principal of the West Saratoga School for the Colored Deaf and Blind for several years, but was removed from the list for good reasons.

The lecture on China and its people, by Rev. J. M. Koehler, of Philadelphia, was delivered before the guild literary meeting. It was interesting and instructive and worth learning the history of China. At the conclusion of the lecture, a vote of thanks was given to Mr. Koehler.

Miss Florence Alban, of Pikesville, Md., paid a short call on Mrs. Geo. Leitner, and informed her that she would go back to school after January 3d, to finish her school education. She is a member of "A" Oral Class at Maryland School for the Deaf.

There are few card parties nowadays compared to other seasons. No one exactly knows why, but doubtless, the simplest reason is that women have grown tired of them, and like the Athenians of old, prefer to seek new amusements.

The year 1900 is nearly gone, for on Tuesday will be ushered in not only a new year but a new century, and naturally, it marks an important era in our lives. The youngest child on earth to-day will hardly live to see another century's birth.

Mr. C. Wyand, a member of the Oral Class at Gallaudet College, had to go home to repair his health last week, and will remain there till he gets recovered. It will take several weeks to get him in perfect condition.

Young college girls from Gallaudet College, are spending their Christmas and New Year holidays with their relatives and friends in this city.

Mr. Geo. Brown, I. C., of Gallaudet College, is staying with his relatives in this city.

MYRTLE.

KEITH'S—JAN. 7.

Keith has begun the New Year with remarkably strong programmes and with crowded houses, and the bills promised for the next few weeks, at least, presage a continuance of the Keith pre-eminence in the vaudeville field. Mrs. Katherine Bloodgood, the superb contralto of the grand concert and oratorio stage, who made her first venture in vaudeville under Mr. Keith's directions with phenom. success, will return on January 7th. Mrs. Bloodgood's social position and her magnificent gowns, made by Lord & Taylor, and her remarkable beauty, have greatly added her splendid voice in the very unusual vogue which she has attained on the Keith circuit, and her return to New York will be the signal for box parties and big audiences.

Ivan Tschernoff will present his wonderful performing dogs, James Thornton will introduce some new stories and songs in his inimitable style, the Todd Judge Family of extraordinary acrobats will appear, Grant & Norton will give one of their lively little comedies, John E. Camp will return with his ludicrous eccentricities, and the musical Tobins, the three acrobatic and funny Fidards from Europe, light footed little Frances Keppler and a number of other extraordinary people will be in the bill.

Russia contains about 3500 miles of railroad, of which 2500 miles are operated by the imperial government. About \$55,000,000 are maintained for pension funds.

The potato crop in the United States is estimated at 239,000,000 bushels, about five millions less than last year, and the average yield 83 bushels per acre.

The California bean crop down on the islands near Sacramento is being harvested and will exceed the crop of any previous year. At Oxnard, over 150,000 pounds have been stored, nearly all limas.

According to an eastern exchange, rural tree delivery by electric cars is likely to be established in some sections of New England this year.

CHICAGO.

The Literary Circle of the Pas-a-Pas Club held its initial meeting on the 29th inst., and it was a success. The president had engaged Mr. Codman to deliver a lecture, which was not to exceed half an hour in delivery, and was to be followed by a dialogue by Mesdames Codman and Kingon, and a declamation by Miss Wayman. Unfortunately death marred the programme, and it had to be changed. Mr. Codman's father died on the 26th inst., and was buried on the 29th, the same date on which the meeting was held, and he and his wife had to be excused from taking part. Miss Wayman rendered Longfellow's famous poem, "The Village Blacksmith" in a creditable manner—so well, in fact, that she was encoiled, but modestly declined a second rendition. She was followed by Mr. Regensburg, who gave an entertaining account of his recent Eastern trip.

The Literary Circle is an off-spring of the Pas-a-Pas Club, and was started in response to repeated demands for purely literary entertainments by sundry individuals. All members of the Club can, upon application join the Literary Circle, and it will cost them nothing. Outsiders, who wish to join it, or who would like to attend its meetings, must first become regular members of the Pas-a-Pas Club, because the circle is really a product of the club, meeting in the latter's room, but having its own officers.

It is hoped that the new organization will receive hearty encouragement, and that all its members will lend a willing hand in doing whatever is necessary for its success. Chicago certainly should not be without a literary organization composed of the intelligent deaf, and the fact that the Literary Circle now has forty-two members, male and female, indicates that a good beginning has been made. The next meeting will be held January 26th, and the members will witness a debate, a dialogue and a declamation.

O. H. Regensburg is making desperate efforts to raise a beard. He has succeeded so well so far, that recently a friend of his, a business man, meeting him in a restaurant offered him a drive to go to the nearest barber shop and have it removed. The offer was thankfully declined.

Gus Hyman, who is employed as an engraver in his brother's big jewelry store, must be making money rapidly, if his account with the treasurer of the Pas-a-Pas Club may be taken as a criterion.

Ashton Bishland has been admitted a member of the club. He is very hard of hearing, so much so as to be practically deaf, and he decided it best to cast his lot among us. He studied for the ministry in an Episcopal Seminary. Several years ago, but owing to his growing deafness failed to receive his diploma. At present he is employed as an electrical worker, but his employment disagrees with him.

At the Christmas tree entertainment held at the M. E. Church on the 24th ult., little Julia Dougherty read a piece orally while little Grace Hasenstab interpreted it in signs. It was something beautiful to behold.

Mr. and Mrs. Hammer, of St. Louis, were present at the Literary Circle. They were on their wedding trip, having but recently been joined in matrimony by Rev. Mr. Cloud. Mr. Hammer was invited to make an address.

Mr. Rutherford, Rev. M. Hasenstab's assistant, was laid up in one of the hospitals, recently, suffering from the grip. He has recovered, and is again hustling about the city.

Your correspondent asked Mr. Gallaher how his daughter liked her work as a cadet in the McCowan Training School for Teachers of the Deaf, and he replied, "very well, indeed." He also said she comes home every Saturday afternoon, and returns every Sunday at 4 p.m. There are eleven cadets in school.

Ben Frank's employers, Lord, Owen & Co., wholesale druggists, have removed from Wabash Avenue to Randolph Street. Benny assisted in the work of removing last Sunday.

Another divorce case, connecting the names of two unhappily yoked deaf-mutes, was aired in one of the courts of Chicago, a short time ago. The husband secured an injunction to keep his wife from removing the household goods, alleging that she had been saving what money she could out of his earnings with the intention of marrying another deaf-mute and taking the goods along with her. It would seem that Chicago has had her full share of divorces among the deaf.

Concerning the father of Mr. Codman, whose death has been noted above, it may be stated that he was connected with the police department of Chicago for many years, chiefly in the capacity of secretary. He was known to a number of the deaf. He died aged seventy-six, and was never seriously ill in all his life. The cause of his death was hiccough—a seemingly harmless complaint. The doctors tried every known remedy to stop it—even ether—but without success.

TAKES HER OWN LIFE.

WOMAN CUT THROAT AND STOMACH AND SWALLOWED LAUDANUM—INFLECTED SOME DAYS AGO—WOUNDS NOT DISCOVERED UNTIL WOULD-BE SUICIDE REACHES THE HOSPITAL—VICTIM IS DEAF AND DUMB.

Kansas City Times, Dec. 14.)

Mrs. Annette Ayre of Marceline, Mo., a deaf and dumb woman about 40 years old, came to Kansas City, Wednesday night and registered at the New Albany hotel, opposite the union depot. About 6 o'clock last night she was found in her room in an almost dying condition, having made three different attempts at committing suicide. She was evidently not only deaf and dumb, but on the verge of insanity. When found she had a gash across her throat extending into the windpipe and an incision in her stomach, both of which had evidently been made two or three days. There was blood on her underclothing. An empty two-ounce bottle of laudanum was also found in her possession. She was taken to the city hospital and died early this morning.

A strange thing in connection with her case is that no one knew of the cut in her throat and stomach until after she was taken to the hospital. By keeping her head thrown forward the one in her throat was not visible and she could breathe through her nostrils. The wound in the stomach is probably fatal. Her state of unconsciousness when found was caused by the laudanum. She had then been at the hotel twenty-four hours. She said on her arrival here that she was going to some place in California, and would leave over the Santa Fe. A Santa Fe agent called at her room yesterday morning to assist her in securing a ticket, but she slipped a note to him under the door saying that she was ill and could not go until the next day. At noon her door was open and she was sleeping. When she did not appear at supper last night the hotel clerk went up to investigate and found her unconscious. Dr. Manahan, assistant surgeon, was called.

Mrs. Ayers left a number of notes and letters showing unmistakable evidence of a deranged mind and an intent to kill herself. The sentences were put together in a very incoherent way. One note read: "I tried to murder myself before I left home." On another paper she stated that she had tried to kill herself with a butcher knife.

Another note, which was evidently written on the train on her way into Kansas City, was as follows:

"Please assign me to a hotel that is not very noisy, if you can, for I need rest." An answer to this in another handwriting was: "New Albany hotel, opposite union depot."

Another note read: "I told my brother, Thomas Bell, that William Gray said for me to go in the first door, that is where the wagon stood. Gray said when I register to sign it J. T. Ayers." This was signed "Mrs. Annette Ayers."

Accompanying these notes was an envelope sealed, stamped and addressed to Mrs. J. T. Heir, Marceline, Mo. On a piece of paper attached to this was written: "Please mail this letter for me." The contents of this letter were very pathetic. She imagined that there was a deep plot laid by certain persons to kill her mother, burn the house and get the insurance money. The language was incoherent, and scarcely any two sentences were on the same subject. The letter closed with the words: "A kiss to all my grandchildren and a kiss to my beloved children, and to dear old mamma."

There was also a letter dated Columbus, Me., October 15, 1900, written by Mrs. Dora Dietrichs to Mrs. E. Ayers, Brookfield, Mo., which probably explains somewhat the cause of her mental distress. It seems that Mrs. E. Ayers is her mother. The letter stated that a storage bill of \$25 was due on some goods stored with Mrs. Dietrichs and unless the money was paid within ten days the goods would be sold at auction to satisfy the debt.

Mrs. Ayers had \$65 in her possession. The label on the laudanum bottle contained the name of N. L. Bolles, druggist, Marceline, Mo.

When a man begins to put the rotten apples in the bottom of the measure, how soon he begins to conclude that the Bible is a fable.

The pleasures of vice are poison while as the pains of virtue are ever pleasant.

The mill does not grow fat on the wheat it grinds, nor do men on the truths they simply reason over.

Many a man puts a fine monument over the grave of his wife, who made her get up and light the fire every morning.

Sims Reeves is 82 years of age and still singing. Though he was a choirmaster at 14, his first appearance on the stage was in 1839.

Shetland has had a wonderful herring catch this season—320,460 crans, valued at over \$1,500,000. This is the record for all Scotland.

PHILADELPHIA.

How the Merry Christmastide was Passed.

PRESENTS FOR ALL.

Items of Import.

News Items for this column should be sent to James S. Reider, 1588 Dover Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Another Christmas Day has made its round with the angelic injunction of "Peace on earth, good-will towards men."

But how many of us have looked to the day with meaningless expectancy?

How many have regarded the "Gladdest Day of the year" as only a day for receiving presents? How many lost sight of the fact that it was more a day of GIVING than of receiving?

How many were disappointed because they did not receive a present or understand the true meaning of the Day? Many, many, we fear! And the same reply applies to the other questions.

The above remarks were inspired by information we received of certain disappointed persons. They have our sympathy, though they ought not to feel so.

The Christmas Festival of All Souls' Mission was held on the birthday anniversary of Laurent Clerc, December 26th, 8 P.M., at A. J. Souls' Hall. The big hall was filled with the deaf and some of their hearing friends many having to stand. There were also many children of deaf parents present. At the request of Mrs. Syle, who was Business Manager for Santa Claus in a literal sense, Mr. J. S. Reider gave a brief sketch of the life of Laurent Clerc, whose birth occurred just 115 years ago, on this date, and who was so useful to Gallaudet in establishing the first school for the deaf in America. Rev. J. M. Koehler, followed with remarks on the coming of Santa Claus and excuses for his lateness in endless variety, and, when the old man finally gave evidence of his presence, made a hasty retreat. Santa entered and found Mother Goose talking to the children and, while they were both questioning them Old Mother Hubbard arrived. She was immediately consulted and, as the children were all and deserving of gifts. The story of persons, so famous in young folks' lore, then began the distribution of toys and candy to the children whose names were down in the Good Book. Some big "boys" and "girls" were also surprised to find their names in the Book, receiving books and other useful gifts from friends who could thus see their pleasure on receiving them. It is quite likely that Santa forgot some, but we suppose there were more there than he expected to see and so he couldn't help it.

After the distribution, Mr. Washington Houston, on behalf of Mrs. Syle's Bible Class and others, made a feeling address which was followed by the presentation to Mrs. Syle of a large beautiful bronze mantle clock. Mrs. Syle showed her appreciation of the gift in grateful terms. Mr. Houston then, also, remembered a number of his friends with a piece of curios, an Indian horse-shoe made of bright orange cloth and yellow beads, on the body of which are the "Good Luck," cleverly formed with beads also. The lucky recipients of the these old and pretty samples of Indian handicraft were Rev. J. M. Koehler, Messrs. Michael, Higgins, Henry S. Stevenson, M. C. Fortescue, Wm. H. Lipsett, R. E. Underwood, Wm. F. Durian, E. D. Wilson, and J. S. Reider. To Mesdames Syle, Sharar and McVea, he also presented another kind of Indian curio.

This enjoyable event was made possible almost wholly by the generosity and thoughtfulness of the ladies of Holy Trinity Church, 19th and Walnut Street, who donated the toys and candy on this as on many former similar occasions. To them All Souls' Mission, or rather its deaf members, owe and they no doubt offer hearty thanks. Miss Miller, an elderly deaf lady, living with Mrs. Syle, also deserves thanks for making and donating a number of doll bonnets which made many little hearts happy. As for Mr. Houston's good-will, which was really admirable, he was repaid in part (?) by a grasp of the hand and a hearty "I thank you!"

Master Walter Syle impersonated Santa Claus, Mrs. Mary H. Rocap was Old Mother Hubbard, and Miss Grace Koehler never looked more charming as Old Mother Goose. All three of these were dressed in costumes appropriate to the character represented and, through the kind assistance of Mr. F. W. Buch, who dressed the faces and hair, a good imitation of the originals was obtained.

Among the out-of-town visitors, who were present at the festival, were William S. Hain and Isaac Olewider, of York; F. W. Lohse, of Lebanon; Lewis I. Ash, of Phoenixville; Mr. and Mrs. George B. Baker, of Berwick; Miss Ida Zimmerman, of Atlantic City; Mrs. O. Krause, and Miss Katie Schmyer, of Allentown; R. Boileu, of Camden, Mrs. A. Schoenly, of Pottstown; and several others from nearby towns.

The Philadelphia Record, December 30th, devotes a whole page to "Great Reforms Promised for the New Century," comprising a variety of subjects each of which is treated by some notable person. Portraits of the writers are also given. Among them we find one on the "Education of the Deaf and Dumb," by Dr. E. M. Gallaudet.

A theatrical entertainment is being arranged for by a committee of the Clerc Literary Association, composed as follows: William F. Durian, Chairman; R. J. King, Daniel Paul, Jr., H. G. Gunkel and Wm. McKinney. The Committee has selected Mr. Wm. H. Lipsett, as Manager, and J. S. Reider, as Treasurer.

The date of the entertainment will be February 14th. Particulars will be given later. Miss Deborah Hoyt Marshall, of Port Chester, N. Y., has been invited to give a reading before the Clerc Literary Association on January 10th, and has accepted. Her subject will be "Richard Carrol." An admission fee of fifteen cents will be charged non-members of the Association who desire to attend. Miss Marshall's father, who used to reside here and served the Association both as President and Secretary, is well-known among the older folks here.

Prof. William G. Jones, of New York, gave his Philadelphia friends an agreeable surprise by stopping here on his way home from Washington, D. C., on Sunday. He attended service at All Souls' in the afternoon, was present at the meeting of the Bible Classes and delivered an instructive address on the lesson of the day.

Rev. J. M. Koehler baptized the infant boy of Mr. and Mrs. George B. Baker, at All Souls' Church, on Christmas Day. He was named George Schmidt, after a brother of Mrs. Baker, who with a sister stood as sponsors.

Mrs. George T. Sanders has successfully solved a puzzle that appeared in a recent number of the Inquirer and will be given a prize.

Mr. William F. Durian also won a prize of one dollar as one of about seventy-five persons who guessed McKinley's electoral vote correctly. Messrs. Robert M. Ziegler and Daniel Paul, Jr., left here on Christmas night for Pittsburg, to attend the meeting of the Board of Managers of the P. S. A. D., on the 26th, of December. They returned the following Friday. Previous to going to Pittsburg, Mr. Ziegler had taken his wife to visit relatives in New York. She returning on Saturday.

In our last letter we erroneously stated that Mrs. T. Breen and children had gone to Erie, when we should have said Rockville, Conn. When she got there she learned for the first time that her father had died just a few weeks before. Her mother was then taken ill, and died on Saturday, 29th of December, making two deaths in one month. Mrs. Breen has the sympathy of a large number of friends here.

Nellie, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Friedman, nee Miss Mary Bayne, formerly of this city, died in Brooklyn, on December 13th.

Mrs. Sarah Bayne has returned to Philadelphia, and is now keeping house for a West Philadelphia family. Mrs. Mary H. Rocap has again been called upon to mourn the death of a near relative.

Adolph Yerkes' sister, Philippina, who is known to a number of deaf here, was married to Mr. David Gueroek, last Wednesday evening, at the home of her parents.

George W. Campbell has apparently passed the danger point of his typhoid siege. He improved so fast, last week, that his friends looked for a speedy recovery. However, a relapse has since occurred and more anxiety is felt now. But he has shown such wonderful will power that there is much hope in his case.

Mrs. Oliver N. Krause and Miss K. Schmyer, who have been guests of Mrs. J. M. Koehler the past week, have returned home.

Miss Ida Zimmerman, of Atlantic City, N. J., is the guest of Miss Bella D. Remmy over the holidays.

SERVICES FOR DEAF-MUTES. JANUARY 6TH, EPIPHANY, COMING THIS YEAR ON SUNDAY, 3 P.M.

St. Ann's Church for Deaf-Mutes, N. Y. Holy Communion. St. Mark's Church, Brooklyn. Holy Communion.

St. Mark's Church, Tarrytown. Trinity Church, Newark.

Hearty thanks are returned to the kind friends who decorated St. Ann's so tastefully for Christmas morning service. The celebration of the second anniversary of the Consecration of St. Ann's, December 26th, was encouraging. Rev. Mr. Van Allen preached an appropriate sermon from Hebrews 10: 23.

NEW YORK.

The L. E. S. Welcomes the Twentieth Century.

THE CHRISTMAS TREE PARTY.

Now for January 5th—News of the Week.

News items for this column should be sent direct to the DEAF-MUTES JOURNAL, Station M, New York.

A few words of information in a letter or on a postal card is sufficient. We will do the rest.

The League of Elect Surds saw the beginning of the New Century from one of the highest points of Manhattan Island. The custom inaugurated by this organization several years ago, of welcoming each New Year, was observed with more than ordinary enthusiasm.

The members were all on hand at a little after the appointed hour, and Chairman Pach of the Arrangement Committee started the program with a witty speech. The program was faithfully followed, and below is a fac simile, except that it was printed in colors.

WATCH NIGHT OF THE League of Elect Surds AT WENDELL'S 181ST STREET AND AMSTERDAM AVE.

[BEGINNING AT EIGHT O'CLOCK MONDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1900.]

"Amen,—Whatever fate be sent,
Pray God the heart may kindly glow,
Although the head with cares be bent,
And whitened with the winter snow."

Grand Ruler's Address Bro. Edwin A. Hodgson
The Death and Birth of two Centuries
Recitation—"Goo Goo Baby" Bro. Anthony Capelli
Monologue—"Me and the other Teddy" Bro. T. I. Lounsbury
Wives and Sweethearts Bro. I. Newton Soper
Cake Walking as a Lost Art Bro. Fred Hoffman
The Lever of Archimedes Bro. James Russell
Reminiscences Bro. M. Heyman
Jersey Jokers Bros. Thomas and Porter
Cascarets Bro. Wm. L. Hanson
Search-Lights Bro. Wm. G. Jones
Iv-v-vi-vii-ix Bro. Chas. L. Schindler
Trolley Dodgers Bros. Knox and Redington
Coon Songs Bros. Bacharach and Kohlman
When I was IT Bro. Chas. J. LeClerc
Wyoming Rough Riding Bro. A. Ekardt
Sic Transit Gloria Mundi Bro. Thomas F. Fox

"Who misses or who wins the prize,—
Go, lose or conquer as you can;
And if you fail or if you rise,
Be each, pray God, a gentleman."

COMMITTEE: BROS. PACH (CH.), MEINKER, AND SOUWEINE

The usual good cheer and toasts to the New Century were observed with tin horn accompaniment.

The incidents of the evening, aside from the formal program were the distribution of pipes two feet in length; the presentation of a silver cup to the Grand Ruler, with the word "Harlem" engraved thereon; and auctioneering the donations of the committee. Following is the—

LEAGUE OF ELECT SURDS' ROSTER—1900.

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Alexander L. Pach, Grand Tyler.
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Theodore I. Lounsbury.
Charles J. LeClerc.

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Arthur Lincoln Thomas.

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PLEBES.

William H. Flanagan. Isaac Golland.
Leo Lowenstein.

NON-RESIDENTS.

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Washington Houston, Pennsylvania.
Warren Lacey Waters, California.

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Henri Gaillard, Nanterre, France.
Henri Genis, Nanterre, France.
Emil Mercier, Epernay, France.
Felix Plessis, Paris, France.
William E. Harris, Belfast, Ireland.
Francis Maginn, Belfast, Ireland.
Edward A. Klofterskold, Stockholm, Sweden.
Gerhard Titze, Karlskrona, Sweden.
Lars A. Havstad, Christiania, Norway.
William E. Hoy, Ohio, U. S. A.

The Christmas Tree Party at St. Ann's Guild Room, on Thursday evening, December 27th, was quite a success. About one hundred and fifty were present and all received tokens of Santa Claus' bounty, the impersonation of whom was creditably rendered by Mr. F. W. Meinken. Refreshments, consisting of sandwiches and coffee, were served.

To Mrs. W. Bunle belongs the credit of planning and managing the party, and the profits—over \$33—attest her ability as executive. Among the many present were: Rev. Drs. Gallaudet and Chamberlain, Rev. H. Van Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Fox, Mr. and Mrs. Heyman, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Lounsbury, Mr. and Mrs. Pfeiffer, Mrs. Susan Knox, Miss S. C. Howard, Miss Grace Okie, Miss McPhail (of Gallaudet College), Misses Kate and Sarah Elsworth, Misses Martha Jaycox, Katie Weber, Elsie Blum, L. Fenalli, Louise Kummer, K. Ehrlich, Messrs. C. C. McMann, Chester C. Rice, Murray Campbell (of Gallaudet College), William and James Fitzgerald, Jacques Alexander, M. Monteil,

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The public will no doubt be pleased to hear that the Union League has chartered a fine sea-going steamboat to bring an excursion of its members and their friends to Empire Grove on the Hudson, about thirty-five miles from New York, on Wednesday, July 17th, 1901. The boat's capacity is 1000.

President Souweine of the Union League was re-elected to the office for the year of 1901, at last Thursday's meeting. Jacob Kieber, Jr., was elected first vice-president; Moses W. Loew, second vice-president; Samuel Frankenstein, secretary (re-elected); Arthur C. Bacharach, treasurer (re-elected).

Mr. and Mrs. George S. Porter, of Trenton, N. J., were in town during the holidays, as guests of Mr. and Mrs. LeClerc. Mrs. Porter returned at the beginning of the week and her "worse half" still lingers in Gotham. They will both be at the Union League ball on Saturday evening.

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Education of Deaf and Dumb. AUTHORITY ON THE SUBJECT LOOKS FOR GLORIOUS FUTURE.

The present condition of affairs in the education of deaf-mutes is peculiar, interesting and full of promise for the coming century. When the first permanent schools for the deaf were established in Germany and France two methods were made use of. In Germany it was contended that all deaf-mutes of good mental capacity could be taught to speak, and the oral method, to the exclusion of all others, has been employed up to the present time. In France it was held that but a small proportion of the deaf were capable of acquiring a really successful command of speech, and that the greatest good for the greatest number could be secured by making considerable use of the language of signs and of finger-spelling, called the dumb language.

In 1880 an International Congress of Instructors of the Deaf was held at Milan, the result of which was that the French Government ordered the adoption of the oral method in the schools of France and the discontinuance of the manual method. In the United States the first school for deaf mutes, established in 1817, adopted the manual method as it had been developed in the French Republic, and this method prevailed in our country for 50 years. In 1867 various causes led to the introduction of the teaching of speech into American schools for the deaf, and since that date a good many persons, instructors and others, have urged the adoption of the oral method of Germany to the exclusion of the French manual method. A spirited and earnest controversy in the schools has grown out of this, those formerly practicing the manual method, while willing to attempt the teaching of speech with all deaf children, being generally in favor of giving it up in the case of those whose ability to speak and to read the lips of others proved to be very limited. It has thus come about that a large majority of American schools for the deaf are to-day working under a combined system, in which all methods are made use of, their application being varied according to the capability and the adaptability of the pupil.

From all of which it is not difficult to conclude that the deaf-mutes of the Twentieth Century ought not to be educated under the pure oral method, which the educated deaf of the Nineteenth Century condemn but under the American Combined System, which they approve.

E. M. GALLAUDET, President of Gallaudet College.

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OHIO.

Christmas Festivities at the Institution.

KRIS KRINGLE REMEMBERS ALL

Brief News Items.

[News items for this column may be sent to our Ohio News Bureau, care of Mr. A. B. Greener, 993 Franklin Ave., Columbus, O.]

The Christmas festivities began here Monday. At noon school was dismissed and the pupils given an opportunity to go sight-seeing in the city. In the evening all assembled in the chapel where an interesting programme was rendered.

The first part consisted of selections bearing on Christmas and were essayed by pupils in pantomime with good effect. Next came three pieces of tableaux "Angels Speaking to the Shepherds," "Birth of Christ," "Wise men bringing presents to Jesus."

Colored lights by means of electrical apparatus were thrown upon the scenes, and the effect was very beautiful and delighted all present.

"Santa Claus" was announced as coming next, and this excited, especially the little ones, who were all eager to get a look at their good old friend. When the curtain rose and he was seen in full view there was a clapping of hands, but he paid no attention to this demonstration. The scene represented him in his home in the far away north, busily engaged reading over letters from thousands of children. Those from good children he preserved, the others found their way into the waste basket. He seemed particularly pleased with one from Superintendent Jones of the Deaf and Dumb Institution, Columbus, Ohio, telling him that 500 children or more of the school deserved his annual visit as they had all been good since he last was here. He took good care to keep that letter, and then started off on his mission.

When the curtain rose again he came down the chimney and stepping forward presented his compliments and also to all present a box of candy and an orange, then with the admonition to be good and he would be around again next year, he suddenly disappeared. There were strong indications the night before that the last Christmas of the century would be a green one in this latitude but on awakening the next morning people found a thin layer of the "Beautiful" spread the earth and more coming down. The day proved raw and wintry, typical of a Christmas. For all that however, happiness and sunshine pervaded the faces of the children at the Institution as they spelled out to every one they met a "M. C." Boxes containing good things were received by most of them either before or during the day for the express wagons came pretty often and left numerous packages. A number of pupils were also made happy by visits of friends or relatives and it has been a long while since we noticed so many visitors on such an occasion. A chapel service appropriate for the occasion was conducted by the Principal in the forenoon. A fine dinner was served at 12:30, and not a pupil was absent from his or her place at the table. In the afternoon a social was given the pupils in the girls' recreation hall, and the day was wound up by an exhibition of sleight of hand performances by Prof. Stevenson, a graduate of the Institution. He presented a number of new tricks, and did the whole exhibition in a manner creditable to his skill and at the same interesting to all who witnessed it. The way he threw out pink after pink from a hat, and later flag after flag, three tin tomato cans, several links of sausage, and last a big doll, proved a mystery to all. Many tried to solve his tricks but without success.

The marriage of Mr. John Reye and Miss Flore Leckron came off Tuesday evening, and the Press Post gives this account of it.

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ever he within is the sincere wish of your old friend, Florence and John, as well as others.

Mr. Fred. Schwartz, of the Bindery has been accustomed to riding to and from his work on a bike. He will not do so now for some time, or until he is the fortunate possessor of another wheel or his old one is returned to him. Monday evening he was up on High Street near Long, doing his Christmas shopping in one of the stores. When he had purchased several articles with which to make his wife and child happy on the morrow he returned to where he left his wheel. Lo and behold it was gone! Some miscreant, no doubt seeing it was a good one and that it would make a fine Christmas present, appropriated it to himself. Fred's astonishment at the missing wheel can well be imagined. The thief has not been discovered yet. If he would only return it, Fred's anger would cool off, and he would pardon the culprit without any questions.

Misses Bessie McGregor and Ethel Zell, students at Gallaudet, sprung a surprise upon their parents by dropping in among them Saturday morning, to spend the holidays with them. Their old schoolmates and friends at the Institution were all glad to meet and have them here again for a short time.

Mr. Dill Ellis, of Bellefontaine, couldn't resist keeping at his case during the holidays, and so came over to see his old friends in Columbus. Mr. E. S. Kayler, of near the same place, accompanied him. Mr. Ellis went down to Chillicothe Monday morning to visit a brother, but was back here Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Lois Atwood, of the teaching force of the Alabama Institution, is spending the holiday vacation with her parents of this city.

Among the outside deaf visitors here during the week were John Lott, Jacob Miller, of Bremen, Jesse Stewart, Edward Stokes, Frank Wilson and Gilbert Pitzer, Springfield, Samuel Kauffman Ezra Coate, Geo. Shade and Ed. Haslam.

Messrs. Zorn and Ohlemacher went home Monday to eat Christmas turkey under their respective parental roofs, and were back in time for school Wednesday.

Mrs. A. B. Greener and Miss Annie Rodman went up to the Home Saturday afternoon, as a committee from the Ladies' Aid Society. It has been the custom of the Society each Christmas to furnish the inmates with a remembrance of good things. The Committee took up a large basket full of candies, nuts, oranges and bananas, and a couple of baskets of grapes. These were distributed among all connected with the Home Sunday, and were greatly appreciated.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Charles have been entertaining the latter's parents and sister from Flint, Mich., during the week.

Word from Bradlock is to the effect that Mr. Collins Sawhill has been absent since the 15th inst., from the effects of a severe cold. His old friends here sincerely hope he will soon be able to tackle the furnace again in the Carnegie Steel Mill.

Dec. 29, 1900. A. B. G.

NOTICE.

JANUARY.

10th, Thursday, 8 P.M., lecture by Prof. Clarke, of the New York Institution, on "Utah and the Mormons."

17th, A fishing party, under the auspices of the Guild of Silent Workers for the benefit of St. Ann's Church.

A Mighty Rich Man.

A writer in the Outlook describes a ride he once took with an old farmer in a New England village, during which some of the men in the neighborhood came under criticism. "Speaking of a prominent man in the village, I said, 'He is a man of means?'"

"Well, sir," the farmer replied, "he hasn't got much money, but he's mighty rich."

"He has a great deal of land, then?" I asked.

"No, sir, he hasn't got much land either, but he is mighty rich."

"The old farmer, with a pleased smile, observed my puzzled look for a moment and then explained: 'You see he hasn't got much money, and he hasn't got much land, but still he is rich because he never went to bed owing any man a cent in all his life. He lives as well as he wants to live, and he pays as he goes. He doesn't owe anything, and he isn't afraid of anybody. He tells every man the truth and does his duty by himself, his family and his neighbors. His word is as good as his bond, and every man, woman and child in the town looks up to him and respects him. No, sir, he hasn't got much land, but he's a mighty rich man because he's got all he wants.'"

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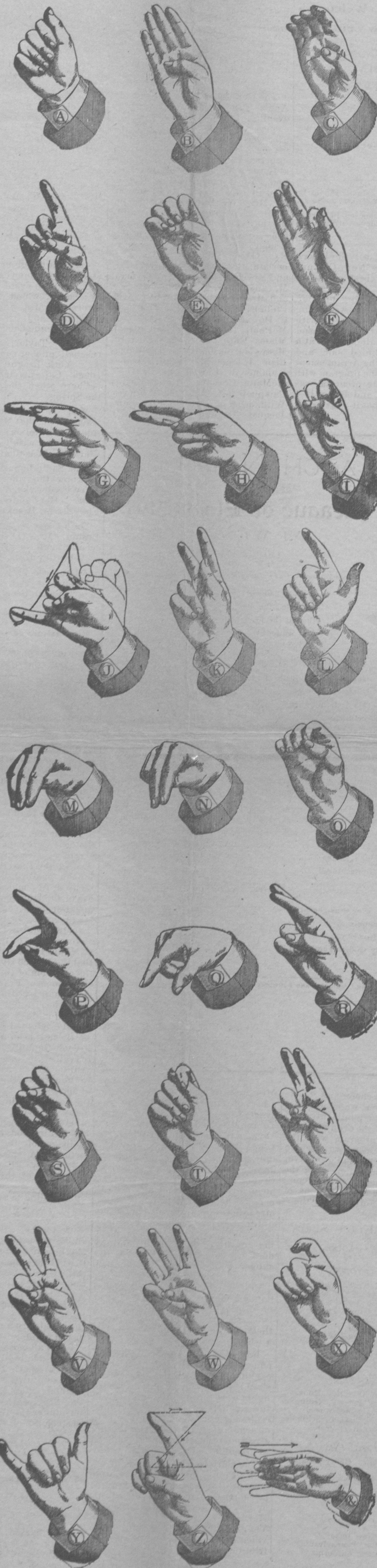
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